(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has been or proposed to be taken in the matter;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India has issued a Consultation Paper on 22nd July, 2005 seeking views of various stakeholders on specific issues such as ensuring tariff transparency, the National Numbering Plan and Regulating Porting charges etc.

(c) and (d) The written comments have been called by 6th January, 2006. The Open House discussions were held in Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai and Delhi.

(e) Does not arise in view of (c) and (d) above.

Publishing of Mobile Telephone Directory

160. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether there has been a general demand for publishing mobile telephone directory especially in view of continuous terrorist threat in the country;

(b) if so, whether it is proposed to publish mobile telephone directory;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Sir, There has been requests for publishing of Mobile Telephone Directory.

(b) to (d) The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has given its recommendations on "Printing of Telephone Directory Enquiry Services" for basic and mobile telephone service. The same is being examined by the Department of Telecommunications.